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SUBJECT: INAUGURAL ARRANGEMENTS

1. DIPLOMATIC CORPS WAS CONVOKED LATE YESTERDAY AT FOREIGN MINISTRY TO DISCUSS INAUGURAL ARRANGEMENTS. FOLLOWING WERE PRINCIPAL TOPICS COVERED:

A. SCARCITY OF HOTEL ROOMS AND GOCR OFFICIAL CARS. IN ABSENCE OF WORD ON COMPOSITION OF U.S. DELEGATION, CHARGE COULD NOT SPEAK TO SPACE REQUIREMENTS SPECIFICALLY AND THEREFORE ASKED THAT HOTEL SPACE CONTINUE BE RESERVED. EMBASSY HAS PROMISED TO COVER TRANSPORTATION REQUIREMENTS FOR DELEGATION. AS DEPARTMENT IS AWARE, EMBASSY RESIDENCE IS EMPTY AND DELEGATION IS OF COURSE WELCOME TO USE IT. IT IS MORE COMFORTABLE THAN HOTEL ROOMS WHICH WILL PROBABLY BE AVAILABLE. ON OTHER HAND, IT IS UNDERGOING SOME REPAIRS (SWIMMING POOL, FOR EXMAPLE, IS OUT OF COMMISSION) AND IS NOT CENTRALLY LOCATED. FOR BOTH CONVENIENCE AND SECURITY, THEREFORE, EMBASSY TENDS TO FAVOR USE OF DOWNTOWN HOTEL. DEPARTMENT IS REQUESTED TO CONSULT DELEGATION AND ADVISE EMBASSY OF ITS PREFERENCES BY MONDAY, APRIL 29 SINCE GOCR MUST COMMIT HOTEL SPACE.

B. MINISTRY REPEATED REQUEST (SAN JOSE 1586) FOR FIRM INFORMATION BY MAY 1 ON ARRIVAL TIMES OF ALL DELEGATIONS. THIS REQUEST ALSO RELATES IN PART TO HOTEL REQUIREMENTS. GOCR EXPECTS THAT MOST DELEGATIONS WILL

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ARRIVE ON MAY 6 AND DEPART ON MAY 10.

C. EACH DELEGATION WILL BE ASSIGNED SENIOR COSTA RICAN ESCORT LIAISON OFFICERS (DELEGADOS). FOR U.S. DELEGATION THEY WILL BE FORMER AMBASSADOR TO U.S. RAFAEL ZUNIGA AND AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE RODOLFO SILVA.

2. IT IS CLEAR THAT MOST OF THE EVENTS ON THE OFFICIAL PROGRAM WILL BE LIMITED TO MEMBERS OF OFFICIAL DELEGATIONS AND SPECIAL INVITEES OF PRESIDENT-ELECT, I.E., EMBASSY OFFICERS WILL NOT ATTEND. GOCR LIAISON OFFICERS (PARA 1-C ABOVE), HOWEVER, ARE EXPECTED TO PARTICIPATE.

3. SYNOPSIS OF OFFICIAL PROGRAM WILL BE FORWARDED BY SEPARATE CABLE TODAY.
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